

Bill reaches the second stage, Government will come round to my view, and that they will give their whole-hearted support to this measure. With regard to the objections now raised by the Hon'ble Member for Law, those are small details which we can correct at a committee stage and having agreed to the principles of the Bill, it is not necessary for us to go into the details at this stage. I move that the Bill be read in Council and I hope that the House will be with me in getting over one stage.

The motion was put and carried.

Secretary to the Council: The title of the Bill is "The Cochin Usurious Loans Act Amendment Bill."

Bill to amend the Indian Companies Act as made applicable to Cochin.

Mr. Deputy President: Mr. C. R. Iyyunni will move his Bill.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (Nemmara): I move.....

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja (Advocate-General): The President has called the name of the member who is to move the next item in the agenda. So the hon'ble member cannot move.

Mr. Deputy President: If there is any objection from any part of the House, I can't allow it, because I have already called upon Mr. Iyyunni to go to the next item in the agenda, and he has got up.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (Nemmara): He only got up but did not begin speaking. I was about to be on my legs. So I may be allowed to move for leave to refer my bill to a select committee.

Mr. P. Govinda Menon (Mulakunnathukavu): The Chair has got the right to allow the hon'ble member to speak.

Mr. Deputy President: In these matters when there is opposition from one section of the House, it is better that it is not allowed to deviate from the strict procedure.

Mr. M. K. Devassy (Adur): The other day when the Caste Disabilities Removal Bill was discussed, the President allowed it.

Mr. Deputy President: But that was when that Bill was before the House. This Bill is no more before the House. In that case the question was a different one. The President allowed the hon'ble member Mr. T. K. Nayar to move an amendment that the Bill, then before the House, may be referred to a select committee. In the present case, we have proceeded to the next item on the agenda and I have

called upon Mr. Iyyunni. Strictly speaking, it is not proper to go back to Mr. Subramania Ayyar's Bill now. If there was no objection from any section of the House, I would have shown some latitude.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (Nemmara): I was on my legs. I beg to submit that after all the Chair is not going out of the way. No business was transacted.

Mr. Deputy President: Strictly speaking, you ought to have moved it before I called upon Mr. Iyyunni to proceed to the next item in the agenda.

Mr. M. K. Devassy (Adur): We are praying for an exemption, Sir. Although there is the rule that an amendment motion has to be put in writing, yesterday the Hon'ble President was pleased to give an exemption to that rule, because it was found reasonable. What is the safety of the Bill without going into the select committee? There is something wrong in the position. The time for the select committee is only three months, so that by the time this Bill is referred to a select committee the other committee will report and it will cost the Government to call up another select committee meeting. So that, my submission is that in the ordinary course of things, in equity and what we find taking place in any other Council, it is only proper for the Chair to allow him.

Mr. Deputy President: I think we had much discussion on this matter. I can't allow any more discussion on this question. The position is this. When another Bill is before the House or after I call upon another member to proceed with his Bill on the agenda and he gets up, I cannot ordinarily allow a motion for referring to a select committee a Bill which had been before the House and from which the House had passed on.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar (Nemmara): We are not having any comment upon the ruling of the Chair.

Mr. Deputy President: As I said before, I would have shown some latitude if the House was generally agreed for it. But the House is not so agreed and I would not be justified in allowing it. It is not a question of majority or minority that arises in the consideration of this matter.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (Trichur-South): In view of the fact that another amending Act has already been passed here just at present, I do not request this House to grant me leave to introduce this Bill.

The bill was not moved.